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## **For Immediate Release**

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## **Lake County Sheriff's Gang Task Force Arrest Documented Street Gang Member**

On December 20, 2016, the Lake County Sheriff's Gang Task Force concluded a month-long investigation, which resulted in the arrest of Michael A. Grasso, 52, of the 26400 block of Shannon Avenue, Unincorporated Antioch. Grasso is a documented street gang member.

Members of the Lake County Sheriff's Gang Task Force conducted a search warrant at Grasso's residence on December 20<sup>th</sup>. During the search warrant, detectives recovered over 62 grams of heroin, over 74 grams of cannabis, a loaded .45 caliber firearm, numerous items of drug paraphernalia, and over \$1,000.00 USC.

Grasso was arrested and subsequently charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver (Class X Felony), unlawful possession of a controlled substance (Class 1 Felony), unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon (Class 2 Felony), unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia (Class A Misdemeanor), and unlawful possession of cannabis (Class A Misdemeanor).

Grasso is being held at the Lake County Jail on \$250,000.00 bail. His next court date is December 28, 2016 at 1:30PM in courtroom C-120.

Sheriff Curran reminds the public the defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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